January 2017 Report on Status of Priority Schools in Michigan by the State School Reform/Redesign Office

The following report will introduce a new cohort of Priority Schools, the 2016 cohort. Also, it will discuss which schools have met exit criteria and will be released. Further, some schools have closed by district decision or been retained and these will be described.

A demographic analysis of current Priority Schools that are under the supervision of the SRO will also look at school location, school levels, as they relate to Priority status and being released, retained, or closed by local district. The table below, Table 1, depicts all the cohorts of Priority/Persistently Low Achieving (PLA) school cohorts in Michigan.

Table 1. Identification of PLA/Priority Schools: Closed (by district decision), Released, and RetainedDuring the seven-year period starting in 2010 there have been 407 unique schools identified as Priority or
Persistently Lowest Achieving (PLA). The PLA metric was used in both 2010 and 2011. Since 2012 the Top-to-Bottom metric has been implemented. Schools hold Priority status for at least four years or until meeting exit criteria.

Cohort	Identified Statewide	Closed	Released	Retained	Renamed after being released	
2010	92	31	381	18	5	
2011	40	7	23 ²	8	2	
2012	88	23	34	18	13	
2013	51	8	34	9	N/A	
2014	60	7	11	TBD	N/A	
2015	51 ³	4	TBD	TBD	N/A	
2016	45 ⁴	1	TBD	TBD	N/A	
Subtotal	427*	Subtotal includes 20 schools renamed in multiple years				
Total	407	81	140	53	20	

The number of schools that will be released from current and future Priority School cohorts will depend on the schools' performance on all exit criteria. Schools must meet all of the following three exit criteria:

- 1. **Top-to-Bottom Requirement (TTB)**: The school must have a TTB percentile rank of 5 or higher.
- 2. **Annual Measurable Objective (AMOs)**: The school must meet its AMOs for both math and reading (ELA) in the all-students subgroup.
- 3. **Assessment Participation Requirement**: The school must have at least a 95% participation rate on all required state assessments.

In addition, data analyses on Priority Schools has shown that when schools can maintain a TTB percentile rank of 15 or higher for two consecutive years, they are unlikely to return to Priority status. As such, schools that meet this criteria of having two consecutive years at TTB percentile rank of 15 or higher may also exit Priority status early if they also meet the Annual Measurable Objectives and the Assessment Participation Requirement.

¹ This includes one Shared Educational Entity (SEE).

² This includes two buildings which are special education centers.

³ This includes 14 buildings from previous Priority cohorts.

⁴ This includes 6 buildings from previous Priority cohorts.

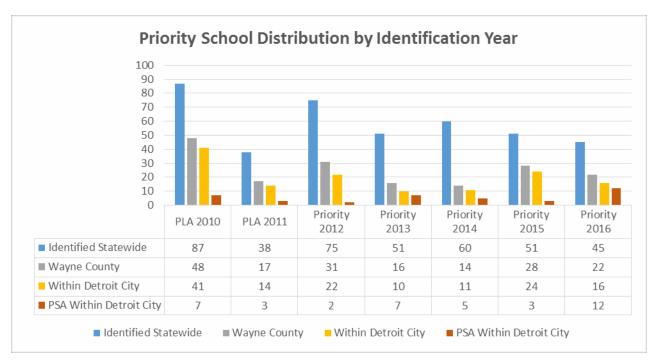
The 2016 Priority Cohort List

- 45 Named in 2016
- 39 Newly named to Priority status
 1 Closed by its District¹

- 6 Renamed from previous cohorts²
 22 are located within Wayne County
- 16 of the 45 are located within Detroit

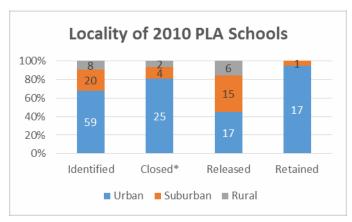
#	District Name	Building Name	ISD Name	Cohort
1	Experiencia Preparatory Academy	Experiencia Preparatory Academy ¹	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
2	Detroit Community Schools	Detroit Community Schools - High School ²	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
3	Detroit Public Schools Community District	Carver Elementary-Middle School ²	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
4	Detroit Public Schools Community District	Nichols Elementary-Middle School ²	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
5	Ross-Hill Academy	Ross-Hill Academy - Elementary ²	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
6	Timbuktu Academy	Timbuktu Academy ²	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
7	Wayne-Westland C.S.D.	Alexander Hamilton Elementary School ²	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
8	Battle Creek Montessori Academy	Battle Creek Montessori Academy	Calhoun ISD	2016 Priority
9	Battle Creek Public Schools	Northwestern Middle School	Calhoun ISD	2016 Priority
10	Battle Creek Public Schools	Post Franklin School	Calhoun ISD	2016 Priority
11	Bear Lake Schools	Bear Lake High School	Manistee ISD	2016 Priority
12	Benton Harbor Area Schools	Arts & Communications Academy at Fair Plain	Berrien RESA	2016 Priority
13	Benzie County Central Schools	Betsie Valley School	Traverse Bay Area ISD	2016 Priority
14	Bradford Academy	Bradford Academy	Oakland Schools	2016 Priority
15	Carney-Nadeau Public Schools	Carney-Nadeau School	Menominee ISD	2016 Priority
16	Clintondale Community Schools	Robbie Hall Parker School	Macomb ISD	2016 Priority
17	Crescent Academy	Crescent Academy Middle School	Oakland Schools	2016 Priority
18	David Ellis Academy	David Ellis Academy	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
19	Detroit Leadership Academy	Detroit Leadership Academy Middle/High	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
20	Detroit Public Safety Academy	Detroit Public Safety Academy	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
21	Detroit Public Schools Community District	Eastside Detroit Lions Academy	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
22	Detroit Public Schools Community District	Ludington Magnet Middle School	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
23	East Detroit Public Schools	Kellwood School (Alternative)	Macomb ISD	2016 Priority
24	Escuela Avancemos	Escuela Avancemos	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
25	Flint, School District of the City of	Holmes STEM Academy	Genesee ISD	2016 Priority
26	Garden City Public Schools	Cambridge High School	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
27	George Washington Carver Academy	George Washington Carver Elementary School	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
28	George Washington Carver Academy	George Washington Carver Middle School	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
		Henry Ford Acad. School for Creative Std		
29	Henry Ford Academy: School for Creative Std.	Elem.	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
30	Kalamazoo Public Schools	Phoenix Alternative High School	Kalamazoo RESA	2016 Priority
31	L'Anse Creuse Public Schools	DiAnne M. Pellerin Center	Macomb ISD	2016 Priority
32	Lansing Public School District	Woodcreek Achievement Center	Ingham ISD	2016 Priority
33	Macomb Montessori Academy	Macomb Montessori Academy	Macomb ISD	2016 Priority
34	Muskegon, Public Schools of the City of	Muskegon Community Education Center	Muskegon Area ISD	2016 Priority
35	Oak Park, School District of the City of	Key Elementary School	Oakland Schools	2016 Priority
36	Oak Park, School District of the City of	Pepper Elementary School	Oakland Schools	2016 Priority
37	Plymouth Educational Center Charter School	Plymouth Educational Center	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
38	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	Starkweather Academy @ Fiegel	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
39	Starr Detroit Academy	Starr Detroit Academy	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
40	Taylor International Academy	Taylor International Academy	Oakland Schools	2016 Priority
41	The James and Grace Lee Boggs School	The James and Grace Lee Boggs School	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority
42	Warren Consolidated Schools	Warren Consolidated Community High School	Macomb ISD	2016 Priority
43	Westwood Heights Schools	Academy West Alternative Education	Genesee ISD	2016 Priority
44	William C. Abney Academy	William C. Abney Academy - Middle School	Kent ISD	2016 Priority
45	Woodward Academy	Woodward Academy	Wayne RESA	2016 Priority

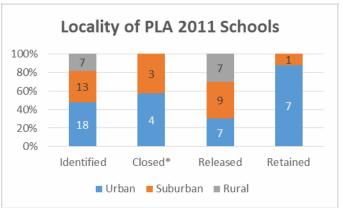
Chart 1. Each of the seven cohorts disaggregated by geographical locations of Wayne County, the city of Detroit and Public School Academies (PSA) within the city of Detroit.

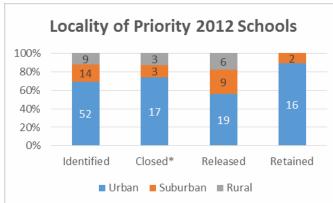


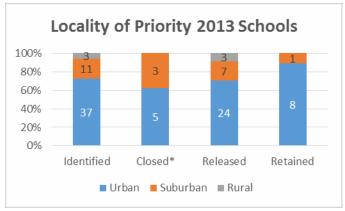
- Of counties statewide, Wayne County makes up the greatest percentage of schools that were identified in each Priority cohort.
- A majority of schools identified as Priority in Wayne County are located within the city of Detroit.
- Identified schools are unique buildings and are not listed two times if given two cohorts; as such, only their most recent cohort is reported.

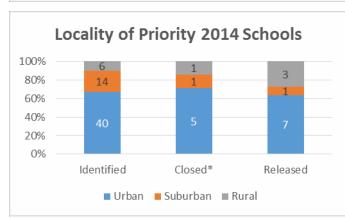
Chart 2. The 2010 though 2016 Priority Cohorts disaggregated by current status and locality type.

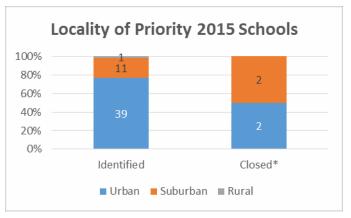


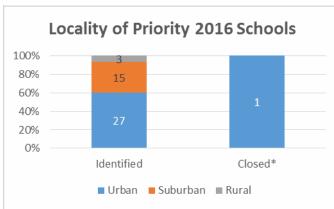










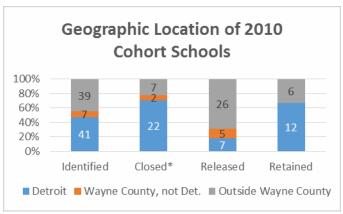


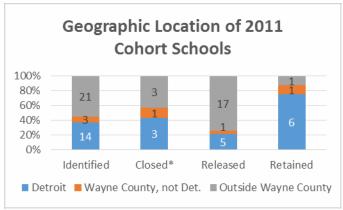
- Similar to previous Priority cohorts, a majority of identified 2016 Priority schools are in urban areas.
- Comparing Released schools across the 2010 to 2014 cohorts, urban Priority schools are the least likely to be released.
- Comparing Retained schools across the 2010 to 2013 cohorts, urban Priority schools are the most likely to be retained.

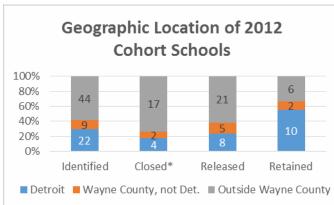
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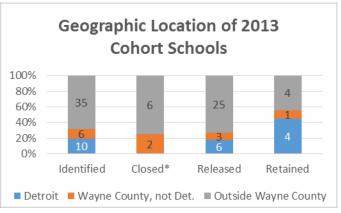
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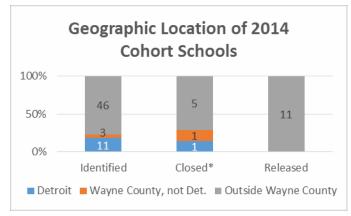
Chart 3. The 2010 though 2016 Priority Cohorts disaggregated by current status and geographic location.

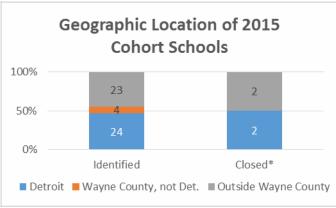


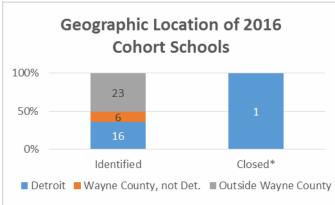












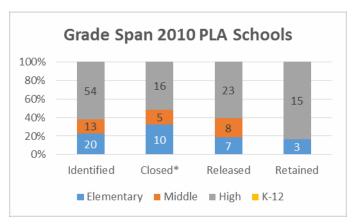
- Similar to most Priority cohorts, a majority of identified 2016 Priority schools are located outside of Wayne County.
- Comparing Retained schools across the 2010 to 2014 cohorts, Priority schools in the city of Detroit are the most likely to be retained.
- 22 schools out of the 45 schools in the 2016 Priority cohort, or 49%, are located in Wayne County.

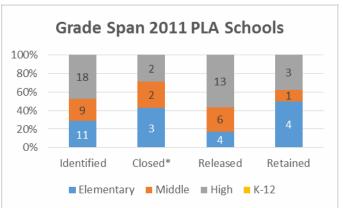
Note: Detroit is abbreviated Det. in the graphs.

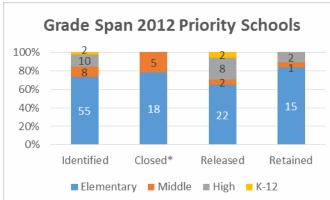
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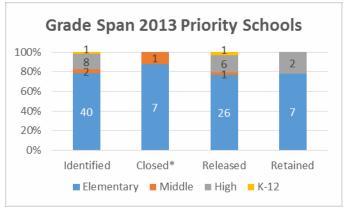
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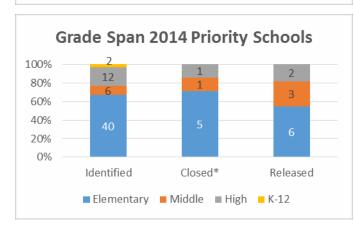
Chart 4. The 2010 though 2016 Priority Cohorts disaggregated by current status and school grade spans.

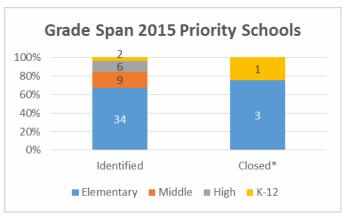


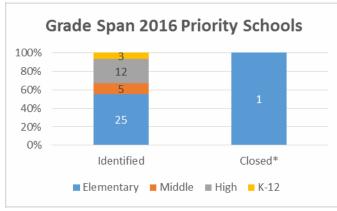












- Similar to the count of all schools in Michigan, Priority schools since 2011 are represented by a larger proportion of elementary schools.
- Comparing Retained schools across the 2010 to 2013 cohorts, Priority schools at the middle school level are the least likely to be retained.
- 37 schools out of the 45 schools in the 2016 Priority cohort, or 82%, are either elementary schools or high schools.
- ** Schools are reported according to their most recent Priority cohort.

^{*}Closed by local district.